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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Vendor Outreach Workshop for Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Zone Small Businesses

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization of the Department of the Interior are hosting a Vendor Outreach Workshop for HUB Zone small businesses that are interested in doing business with the Department. This outreach workshop will review market contracting opportunities for the attendees. Business owners will be able to share their individual perspectives with Contracting Officers, Program Managers and Small Business Specialists from the Department.

DATE: The workshop will be held on February 3, 2012, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Main Interior Auditorium at 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240. Register online at: www.doi.gov/osdbu.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Oliver, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, 1951 Constitution Ave., NW, MS-320 SIB, Washington, DC 20240, telephone 1-877-375-9927 (Toll-Free).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In accordance with the Small Business Act, as amended by P.L. 95-507, the Department

has the responsibility to promote the use of small and small disadvantaged business for its

acquisition of goods and services. The Department is proud of its accomplishments in meeting

its business goals for small, small disadvantaged, 8(a), woman-owned, HUBZone, and service-

disabled veteran-owned businesses. In Fiscal Year 2011, the Department awarded over 50 per

cent of its \$2.7 billion in contracts to small businesses, and in Fiscal Year 2010 also awarded

over 50 percent of its \$4.4 billion in contracts to small businesses.

This fiscal year, the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization are reaching

out to our internal stakeholders and the Department's small business community by conducting

several vendor outreach workshops. The Department's presenters will focus on contracting and

subcontracting opportunities and how small businesses can better market services and products.

Over 300 small businesses have been targeted for this event. If you are a small business

interested in working with the Department, we urge you to register online at:

www.doi.gov/osdbu and attend the workshop.

These outreach events are a new and exciting opportunity for the Department's bureaus

and offices to improve their support for small business. Additional scheduled events are posted

on the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization website at www.doi.gov/osdbu.

Mark Oliver, Director

Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

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